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FCC SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP FOR THE 2015 WORLD RADIOCOMMUNICATION CONFERENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Washington, D.C. – The Federal Communications Commission is seeking nominations from representatives of the telecommunication industry as well as related public interest organizations to serve as members of the newly rechartered Advisory Committee (Committee) on preparations for the International Telecommunication Union's 2015 World Radiocommunication Conference (WRC-15).

The Committee's mission is to provide to the Commission advice, technical support, and recommended proposals for the upcoming WRC-15. In particular, the Committee will focus on the international frequency spectrum issues identified on the WRC-15 agenda with the goal of identifying private sector/public priorities and objectives. The Committee will be charged with gathering the data and information necessary to formulate meaningful recommendations for these objectives. Additional information on WRC-15 is available at www.fcc.gov/wrc-15.

The Commission seeks applications from interested organizations, institutions, or other entities from both the public and private sectors that wish to be considered for membership on the Committee. Selections will be made on the basis of factors such as expertise and diversity of viewpoints that are necessary to address effectively the questions before the Committee. Individuals who do not represent an organization, institution, or entity, but who possess expertise valuable to the Committee's work are also welcome to apply. Such applicants should be aware, however, that government ethics rules may require financial and other disclosures.

Applicants should describe both their specific interests and their expertise or experience as it relates to the questions before the Committee, including such matters as wireless communications infra-structure and equipment, telecommunications, broadcasting, and other radiocommunication services, consumer advocacy, and underserved populations (e.g., persons living in rural areas and tribal communities).

In addition, all applicants are advised that the Commission adheres to the President's policy, as announced in his memorandum of June 18, 2010, "Lobbyists on Agency Boards and Commissions," that Federal agencies' advisory boards and committees shall not include federally registered lobbyists. For this reason, the Commission will not consider registered lobbyists as members or representatives of members of the Committee.

The number of Committee members will be established to effectively accomplish the Committee's work. In preparation for WRC-15, it is anticipated that the Committee will meet in Washington, D.C., three to four times per calendar year. In addition, as needed, working groups will be established to facilitate the Committee's work between meetings of the full Committee. In the past, such working groups focused on issues pertaining to maritime, aeronautical and radar radiocommunication services, terrestrial radiocommunication services, satellite radiocommunication services and international regulatory procedures. All meetings will be fully accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Members must be willing to commit to a two-year term of service and possibly one additional year if the committee's charter is renewed. Members should be willing and able to attend the meetings of the Committee and are also expected to participate in deliberations of at least one working group. The time commitment to each working group may be substantial. Working group deliberations may be conducted through e-mail and teleconferences.

Nominations, including a statement of qualifications, may be submitted by e-mail to **WRC-15@fcc.gov**. All nominations must be submitted by **Friday, June 15, 2012**. For additional information about the Committee, please contact Alexander Roytblat, the Designated Federal Official for the WRC-15 Advisory Committee, at (202) 418-7501 (alexander.roytblat@fcc.gov).